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House passes tax bill in major step toward overhaul



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House Speaker Paul Ryan of Wis., left, leads applause for House Ways and Means Chairman Rep. Kevin Brady, R-Texas, along with Rep. Carlos Curbelo, R-Fla., and Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers, R-Wash., during a news conference following a vote on tax reform on Capitol Hill in Washington on Thursday. Republicans passed a near $1.5 trillion package overhauling corporate and personal taxes through the House.

BY THOMAS KAPLAN AND ALAN RAPPEPORT
New York Times

WASHINGTON

With 227 Republican votes, the House passed the most sweeping tax overhaul in three decades on Thursday, taking a significant leap forward as lawmakers seek to enact $1.5 trillion in tax cuts for businesses and individuals and deliver the first major legislative achievement of President Donald Trump's tenure.

The swift approval came two weeks after the bill was unveiled, without a single hearing on the 400-plus-page legislation and over the objections of Democrats and 13 Republicans. The focus now shifts to the Senate, where Republicans are quickly moving ahead with their own tax overhaul, which differs in substantial ways from the House bill. The Senate Finance Committee was expected to vote on the legislation

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Tax bill could hurt KCI project, city's mayor warns Congress

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Fresh off a victory last week when voters decisively approved a $1 billion single terminal project at KCI, Kansas City Mayor Sly James is warning Congress about provisions in tax bills that could repeal a key financing tool for the airport.

James on Thursday issued a statement urging Congress to reconsider provisions in tax bills both in the House and Senate that he said would hurt the city's ability to finance infrastructure projects.

James' statement came the same day the Republican-controlled House passed its $1.5 trillion tax bill, largely along party lines. The House bill goes to the Senate, where it faces an uncertain future after key Republican senators expressed reservations.

Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, a Democrat, was the only member of the local House dele-

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Kansas City Mayor Sly James expresses his opinion earlier this year on the vote approve Maryland-based Edgemoor to build new KCI terminal.

Kansas City Streetcar looking to expand service — this time rolling to the riverfront

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As the Kansas City Streetcar reached another milestone of more than 3.1 million riders since its inception, efforts are underway to expand service — this time north to the Berkley Riverfront.

If everything goes as planned, including securing $15 million in federal funding, the streetcar could be rolling to the Missouri River in just a few years.

The Kansas City Streetcar Authority, Port KC and the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority applied last month for federal funding as part of the highly competitive U.S. Department of Transportation's TIGER grants program.

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KANSAS CITY STREETCAR AUTHORITY

Extending streetcar service to the Berkley Riverfront is estimated to cost $32 million. The Kansas Streetcar Authority, along with Port KC and the KCATA, are seeking federal funding to help pay the costs.



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